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REPORT, JULY 3-9, 1978, AND FIELD OPERATIONS THROUGH
JULY 14, 1978.

1. GOM ERADICATION AND ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS FOR THE
27TH WEEK OF 1978 ARE OUTLINED BELOW. FIGURES IN
PARENTHESIS REFLECT CUMULATIVE TOTAL SINCE DECEMBER 1977.

ERADICATION JULY 3-9, 1978

ZONES	5-9	3-4	1-2	OTHER	TOTAL
A. POPPY FIELDS	4	0	0	0	0 (15,447)
B. HECTARES	.11	0	0	0	.1182359)
C. MARIHUANA FIELDS	86	4	114	1	205 (2968)
D. HECTARES	3.235	2.054	1.547	.004	6.840(499)

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E. MIXED FIELDS 0 0 0 0 0 (113)
F. HECTARES 0 0 0 0 0 (18)

ENFORCEMENT JULY 3-9, 1978

	TOTAL THIS PERIOD	CUMULATIVE
A. KG. HEROIN	.166	77.434

B. KG. OPIUM	6,970	297.837
C. KG OPIUM SEED	5,100	82.486
D. HEROIN LABS	1	14
E. HASHISH/MARIHUANA LABS	0	2
F. KG. COCAINE	.709	46.229
G. KG. MARIHUANA	2,142	361,620
H. KG. MARIHUANA SEED	.020	1,642.782
I. KG. HASHISH	0	63.875
J. LITERS HASHISH OIL	0	.250
K. KG. PEYOTE	0	11.85
L. D7.U. DANGEROUS DRUGS	6,228,729	7,841,494
M. ARREST MEXICANS	99	2,640
N. ARREST U.S.	5	94
O. ARREST OTHERS	2	30
P. VEHICLES	14	413
Q. WEAPONS	13	882
R. AMMUNITION	1,529	37,526
S. PESOS	0	3,069,568.00
T. DOLLARS	525.00	74,642.00
U. AIRCRAFT	0	30
V. VESSELS	0	1

2. ERADICATION STATISTICS FOR THE 27TH WEEK OF 1978 HAVE BEEN COMPARED WITH THOSE FOR THE SAME PERIOD IN 1977. FOUR POPPY FIELDS COVERING .11 HECTARES WERE DESTROYED DURING THE 27TH WEEK OF 1978, WHEREAS NO POPPY FIELDS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WERE DESTROYED DURING THE SAME PERIOD IN 1977. THERE IS NO CHANGE TO THE BASIC TREND; I.E., MORE MARIHUANA CONTINUES TO BE DESTROYED DURING THIS PERIOD AS REFLECTED IN BOTH THE 1977 AND 1978 ERADICATION DATA.

3. FIELD OPERATIONS

A. ZONE 8, TIJUANA: THE MORETHAN SIX MILLION DANGEROUS DRUGS SEIZED DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD WERE THE AMOUNT OF AMPHETAMINES SEIZED AT TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA ON JULY 4, 1978. FOLLOW-UP INVESTIGATION BY THE MFJP AND DEA'S GUADALAJARA DISTRICT OFFICE RESULTED IN ADDITIONAL SEIZURES AND ARRESTS (TB-78-0018, GFTA-76-8084).

B. ZONE 6, CULIACAN: REGIONAL COORDINATOR LOPEZ GARZA ADVISED AMEMBASSY NARCOTICS ERADICATION ACTIVITIES LIMITED DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER CONDITIONS IN MOUNTAIN REGION. AN AVERAGE OF TEN MARIHUANA FIELDS PER DAY HAVE BEEN DESTROYED. ACTIVITIES RELATED TO POPPY FIELDS HAVE BEEN NEGLEGIBLE.

C. THE FIELD TESTING OF RHODAMINE-B AS A COLORING
AGENT IN MARIHUANA ERADICATION HAS BEEN COMPLETED BY JOHN
FORD. HIS FINAL REPORT IS DUE WITHIN A WEEK OR TWO.

4. TECHNICAL SUPPORT:

A. FLIGHT OPERATIONS: AN ANALYSIS OF THE MEXICAN ATTORNEY
GENERAL'S CONSOLIDATED MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT SHOWING
FLYING HOURS (AND PERCENT OF TOTAL IN PARENTHESES) IS
SHOWN BELOW. TOTAL MONTHLY FLYING HOURS FOR APRIL, MAY
AND JUNE 1978 FOR ALL ZONES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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APRIL	1044(39)	628 (24)	897 (34)	94(49)	2663(100)
MAY	675(39)	272 (16)	648 (38)	11(7)	1606(100)
JUNE	811(39)	375(13)	918 (44)	84(4)	2088(100)

COMPARATIVE FLYING HOURS ARE GIVEN FOR CULIACAN, ZONE 6,
WHICH REPRESENTS THE LARGEST PROPORTION (47PCT) OF THE
TOTAL OPERATIONS FOR THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD.

	TRANSPOR-	SPRAY/	RECOMMAISANCE	OTHER	TOTAL
	TATION	SUPPORT	VERIFICATION		

APRIL	379	371	349	70	1169
MAY	290	248	348	88	974

JUNE 322 158 230 43 753

THE ABOVE THREE-MONTH STATISTICS ARE GENERALLY CONSISTENT WITH THE ERADICATION DTA FOR THE SAME PERIOD AND THE SEASONAL, CYCLE FULL IN THE GROWTH OF POPPY AND MARIHUANA LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PLANTS.

?. AVIATION OPERATIONS: PLANS HAVE BEEN FINALIZED FOR AN INSPECTION TRIP TO U.S. AVIATION MAINTENANCE FIRMS (AIR LOGISTICS AND PETROLEUM HELICOPTER, INC). THE TOP THREE OFFICERS OF THE AERO SERVICES ACCOMPANIED BY U.S. ADVISORS CARSON AND KARMAN WILL OBSERVE A COMPLETE 100-HOUR FIELD AND BASE INSPECTION OF AIRCRAFT AND FLIGHT FOLLOWING CENTER OPERATIONS. THE DECISION ON THE TYPE OF AIRCRAFT UNDER FY 78 FUNDING HAS BEEN NARROWED DOWN TO THE PURCHASE OF CARGO CARRYING SHORT 330. THE LEASING OF A MAVILAND TWIN OTTER. THE LORAN-C TRANSMITTER FIELD FOR PROPOGATION PURPOSES ARE TENTATIVELY EXPECTED TO BEGIN AUGUST 28 AND TO BE COMPLETED ON/ABOUT SEPTEMBER 1. ONE BELL 206 HELICOPTER WILL BE SCHEDULED SOLELY FOR THIS MISSION. OFF-SHORE NAVIGATION, INC. (ONI) HAS FORWARDED PLANS TO AMEMBASSY FOR THE TEMPORARY INSTALLATION OF TELECOM TOWER IN CULIACAN AND HAS REQUESTED NAU TELECOM ASSISTANCE TO LOCATE A SUITABLE TOWER BASE. THE ERECTION OF THIS TOWER IS EXPECTED TO BE READY FOR THE LORAN-C TEST BY AUGUST 21.

∴. TELECOMMUNICATIONS: PIO/CS FOR TELECOM EQUIPMENT FOR \$1.17 MILLION HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND WILL BE FORWARDED TO S/NM FOR ACTION.

\$. E-SYSTEMS CONTRACT: TRAINING COURSE FOR 18 AERO SERVICES MECHANICS CULMINATED JULY 13 WITH GRADUATION CEREMONIES. THOMPSON

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